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IRENE JOHNSON fell victim to America's genocide. She is one of our reasons for struggling on.

HER LIVING WAS NOT IN VAIN

On December 10th, a beautiful, Black mother passed away. Really, she did not pass away, just die, for it was outright racist neglect on the part of the government which was the direct cause of her death. Mrs. Irene Johnson (who was 43 years old) was very dear to many people, especially to the members of the New York State Chapter of the Black Panther Party. "Moms" (as everyone called her), the mother of Comrade Bill Johnson, had been working, along with the Party, in the People's Survival Programs. Her very life, particularly from the time she began working in the programs, was dedicated to helping other people in our community, to serving the people body and soul.

It is ironic that it was due to the total inadequacy of the medical and health facilities in the Black communities of New York City, that Moms herself died. For this had been part of her purpose in living, to help provide services for our people, free of charge, that would satisfy our basic needs and desires. (It reminds one of Dr. Charles Drew, a Black doctor, who discovered the blood plasma theory and developed the blood bank for which millions can be grateful today. Dr. Drew was in an automobile accident in 1950, and ironically, bled to death, because, as a Black man, he was refused medical treatment by a white hospital.)

At the revolutionary memorial services for our dear Comrade, on December 15th, Chairman Bobby Seale, in a taped message (as he was unable to get to New York in time for the services), spoke of what Comrade Irene Johnson's life and work and death really meant:

Brothers and Sisters and People, on December 10th, American genocide against the Black Community claimed another victim. This was Mrs. Irene Johnson, a Panther Mother, Moms. Mrs. Irene Johnson, 43 yers of age, was part of the New York State Chapter of the Black Panther Party. She was known and loved as Moms. We loved Moms - we loved her dearly.

Moms died as a result of the criminal neglect on the part of the New York Hospital Corporation. Moms was one of many victims of this New York Hospital Corporation, which dictates policies and said funds for the hospitals. Hospitals are big business here, and this clearly points out that Black and poor lives aren't profitable to the big business operation of the Hospital Corporation in New York, or anywhere else in this country.

Sister Irene, Moms, went through the genocidal process, which claims many lives throughout the Empire. Three weeks ago Moms became ill, and was taken to a private doctor, who gave her some liver pills, which did not work. Later that week Moms was rushed to Kings County Hospital. There she waited for hours while experiencing great pain. When she finally saw the doctor she was given some pills, and some cough syrup, and told to return later, because they didn't have "physicals" on Saturdays. And now, Moms is dead, a Black Panther Member, Mother.....

Moms was told to return the following Monday, during working hours. On Monday Moms returned to receive this elaborate physical examination, and, for a moment, we thought she was given some righteous medical care. We thought. A week later, Moms returned to Kings County Hospital to get the results of the tests. The only one that was ready was the electrocardiogram....she had to be retested. She was told her test results would not return until January, 1972; and January 1972 hasn't even arrived yet. We will not be so foolish as to believe that it takes this long to read the results of simple tests, and other simple tests. With the technological wealth of this country, this can only be called neglect; in fact, nothing less than genocidal neglect.

9:30 Friday evening, on December 10th, Moms fell in her home, above the New York State Chapter Office. When Moms fell in her home, she had stopped breathing. Panthers and community friends rushed to her aid. One brother tried desperately to revive Moms, while waiting for the ambulance to come with oxygen. But the police came instead. Someone had called the Fire Department. They came about 45 minutes later with an oxygen tank that didn't work. The fire chief had to be called who had been there earlier, but left when he saw there was no fire. By this time it was too late, too late for Sister Moms.

We are implementing survival programs all over this country. One of the Survival Programs is a People's Free Community Ambulance Service, a Black Panther Party Community Survival Program. And if anything, as Brothers and Sisters, People, human beings alike, we ought to relate to Sister Moms, because if she worked anywhere in this Party, anywhere with the community (like the Party does), then there should be an ambulance service in her spirit, an ambulance service relating to her spirit and her work. She died giving her life as a Supreme Servant. Only they can give everything they have. So only those revolutionaries who die can be Supreme Servants. So, let us say that when a Free Ambulance Service is placed in New York, wherever, that it be named after Sister Irene Johnson, Moms; because of the obvious neglect on the part of the New York Hospital Corporation, and the slow ambulance service, which has caused the death of many people

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"TO TAKE ARMS AGAINST A SEA OF TROUBLES"

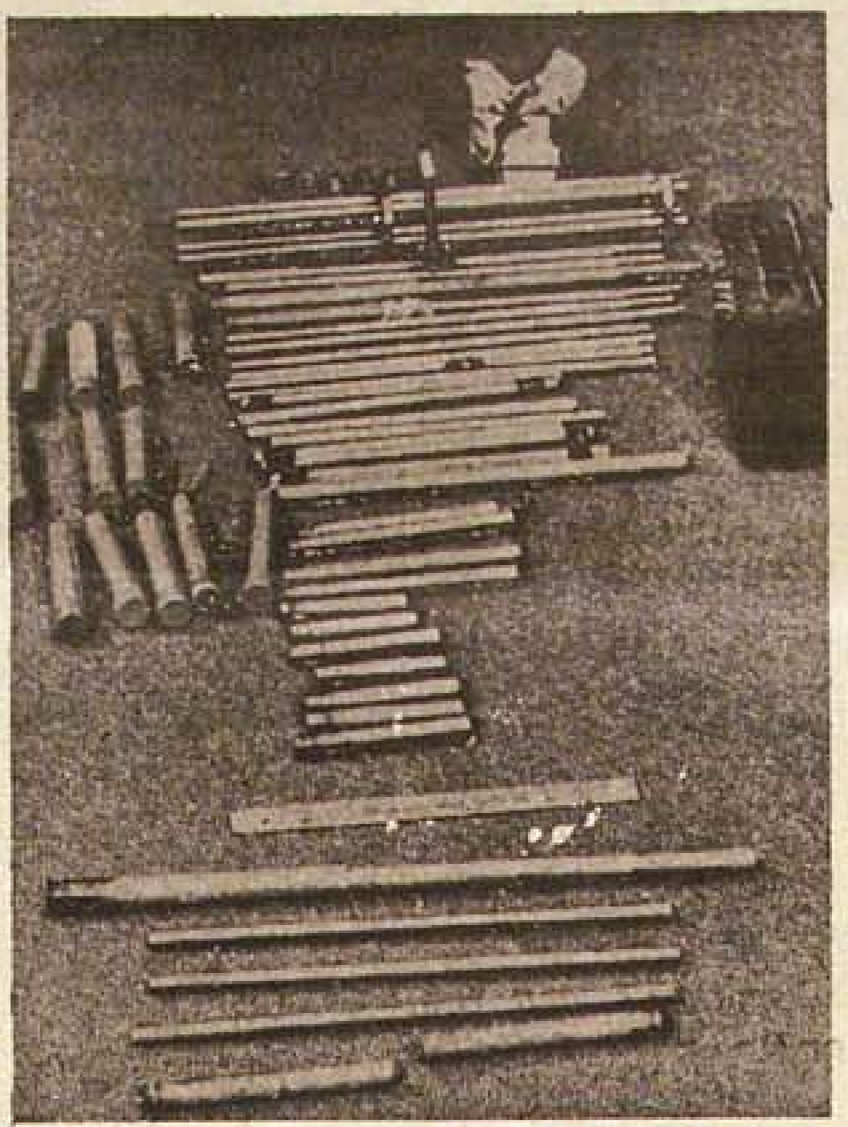
AN ACCURATE REVIEW OF THE COURAGEOUS DEFENSE BY THE BLACK COMMUNITY OF WILMINGTON, N.C., AGAINST WHITE RACIST-POLICE VIOLENCE.

Recently (October 1st), the Black Community of Wilmington, North Carolina engaged in a confrontation with white racists and police. The contradiction began when fights started at a high school football game in this racially tense seaport town. The local city police were called in to "quell" the situation. As usual, when they arrived at the scene, the racist police force chose to attack the Black students, under pretense of stopping the fights.

The main incident occurred when a member of the Black Community, Roderick Kirby, saw policemen harassing a 12 year old brother outside the game. Brother Kirby asked the officers why they were intimidating the youth. The pigs turned on Brother Kirby himself, who defended himself and the young brother. Twelve police officers attacked him at once. They claim that that many were needed to "arrest" him. After brutally beating and then arresting Brother Kirby, these racists had the gall to claim that he had injured one of them. Brother Kirby has since been convicted of assaulting a police officer and sentenced to 12 months in jail. He is now out on an appeal bond.

The next night, the police invaded the Hillcrest Housing Project off Dawson Street, in the Black Community of Wilmington, under the pretext of looking for snipers. These salaried state vigilantes claimed that they had been fired upon by snipers. For about three hours, the pigs shot tear gas indiscriminately into the apartments of the project, firing at everyone in the community, into anyone's house. After three hours of launching tear gas, these invaders came down Dawson Street in an armed convoy, accompanied by an armored car with a mounted machine gun. Seeing this threat to their lives, the Black Community responded in armed self-defense. Rather than submit to genocide and mass murder, the people defended their right to survive against the police, armed with their over-kill weapons. The invaders quickly retreated and finally withdrew, after a ten minute exchange in which at least six of them were wounded. Their armored car was put out of service also. The police even had back-up support from white racist snipers (who were in the area), two of which were also wounded. No Black people were wounded.

The following Sunday was another day of harassment. Another occupying army, the North Carolina State Police, was brought in to aid the city police in their next attack against the Black people of Wilmington. Almost everyone on the streets in the community was stopped, searched and harassed. That night, State and local fascists again invaded the housing project and opened fire upon the people.



Homemade weapons were not all that racists used against the Black community. However, even armored cars with mounted machine guns were forced back.

Black people again responded to this threat to their survival. Even with state troopers to aid them, the Wilmington armed forces of the oppressor were again forced to retreat. A group of state-encouraged, but unpaid racists who were in the Black community, sniping at the people, was again no help to the police. They were actually in the way, and encountered a few police bullets themselves. Refusing to admit defeat, however, Chief of Police, H.E. Williamson, stated after the attack, "We said all the time we mean business and this ought to prove what we said." The only thing it proved to the Black People of Wilmington was the necessity of self-defense in order to continue to survive.



In the old days it was horses. Today it is car caravans of 2,000 strong.

Earlier that day (Sunday), a racist white para-military group called the Rights of White People met in a park outside of Wilmington. There were several thousand racist whites there. They were openly displaying all types of weapons, including sawed-off shot guns (which are illegal). Of course, no one was arrested by police. Leroy Gibson, the president of this group of vigilantes, openly threatened the Black community with such statements as, "We'll have bands of white people roving the streets to look for Black people and romp on their heads"; "we'll destroy them all if necessary." This group rides through the Black community in armed caravans (containing as many as 2,000 strong), with guns sticking out of their car windows. Even after a state of emergency was declared (imposed the following week) forbidding the public display of weapons, no white person riding through the Black community was arrested.

Gibson, like most of the leaders of the Rights of White People, is an ex-marine. He is a gung-ho racist and thoroughly engrained with the Nazi fervor of the U.S. Military. Wilmington is only50 miles from Camp Lejune, a marine training base in Jacksonville (North Carolina). The Black people of Wilmington are aware of and are on guard against the potential increase of this vigilante force.

That Monday, the occupying army of state and local police was out in the community in force. There was sporadic gunfire around the city. And, on Tuesday night, the pigs again attacked the housing project. Also that evening, Ben Chavis, a young Black man who is the pastor of the First African

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Now that Brother James Young is old and blind, the U.S. government wants him to produce records and certificates if he wants to eat.

OLD HORSES GET SHOT – OLD SLAVES SHAKE CANS

Black People in America have suffered an untold number of brutalities and cruelties since the infamous "Middle Passage" of millions of Black people in the holds of slave ships here. From that moment on, from the time we stepped foot onto U.S. soil, Black people have been forced to work for free to develop this land to the interests of the "master". One of the worst insults and sufferings we later had to endure was to be forced to defend this "master's" stolen land and property and right to enslave us to continue to do free labor. In other words, not only have we been enslaved, but we have been expected to fight for the oppressor's right to keep us enslaved.

Historically, Black men have fought in every war of aggression in which the U.S. has engaged. James Young volunteered for the Armed Services when he was seventeen years old. That was 55 years ago. He is now 72 years old. He served from July, 1918 until November 11th of the same year. When WWI ended, on November 11th, many young recruits were kicked off the rolls and sent home. They were no longer needed. They were given no explanation. Brother Young was one of these persons.

After his return from the war, Brother James noticed one main thing, that although he had fought for America, America wasn't doing anything for him. He was still expected to maintain his slave position in the society: "They were saying things were getting better; but I still saw them lynching Black people."

Employment was hard to find. Since he had been born on a farm (in Arkansas), he began working throughout the rural South doing whatever he could to support his wife and two daughters. After a while, Brother James began to notice that his sight was getting very bad. He went from eye specialist to eye specialist to try and save his sight. The doctors could only " assure" him that someday he would be totally blind. There were no real attempts to save his sight. Over a period of about 25 years, he finally did become completely blind.

Brother James says that he is probably blind today from hard work. He well remembers those days of sharecropping. He spoke of how he, like other Blacks in his position, worked from sun up to sun down, picking bales of cotton. After working all year, everyone would sell his produce. Sales would be so low that he would be forced to borrow money to keep food in the house. After each year of selling and borrowing, you became deeper in debt with the land-owners.

When Brother James finally became totally blind, having suffered a life of unbearably hard work and inadequate medical attention, he applied for benefits as a veteran of WWI. These benefits only lasted for a short time. Because of the inadequate filing and records system of the U.S. government, Brother James was told his record didn't indicate that the government should continue supporting him (although it had been perfectly all right for him to support their policies, with his life, during WWI). Therefore, when it was no longer economically practical, the U.S. Empire cut off James Young's lawful benefits.

He began taking a training course with an organization known as The Lighthouse (a group that was supposed to train the blind and prepare them for jobs). After taking all the courses, he went out to get a job, still trying to support his family. Naturally, no jobs were available to him. Brother Young then applied for old age pension benefits. Brother James was told he could not even receive old age pension benefits, because he had no birth certificate.

The U.S. government obviously didn't need a record or file or certificate to let him serve in the Army. The U.S. government didn't need a certificate to exploit him for years as a cheap farm laborer. Now that James Young is old and blind, and therefore no longer useful as a slave, they need records, certificates, files.

What does a person do under such circumstances, when you've fought and tried in every way possible to work and live in dignity, and nothing seems to matter. Brother James Young is on the streets of New Orleans, Louisiana, with a can in his hand, begging for the right to live.

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ANGELA TRANSFERRED FOR TRIAL



The predicted cost of the trial is over a million dollars. Of course, if Angela were released on bail, none of these expenses would be necessary.

The State of California's dying plot against Sister Angela Davis entered a new phase on December 2nd. In the dark of the early morning, Angela was whisked out of the cell in the Marin County Jail (where she had been held for nearly a year), handcuffed and driven to Palo Alto, California, where she was placed in an even smaller cell than before.



ATTORNEY HOWARD MOORE must talk to Angela in a narrow corridor in the basement, where her cell is located.

Howard Moore, one of Angela's attorneys, described the conditions of the Palo Alto jail: "The cell is 8 feet by 6 feet by 4 feet, with a washbasin, a toilet, and 2 bunks -- and some kind of wire that goes over it that makes it look like a cage. Her attorneys have to sit out front in a 4-foot corridor area. It's painted a sort of greenish color that's absolutely dull and flat. Immediately adjoining the cell in which Miss Davis is now detained there is a padded cell with a hole in the floor -- I suppose it's known as the padded hole. And, adjacent to that there is another cell of a larger size in which a woman is detained at the present time. There is absolutely no privacy of conversation in this area where you can hear and be heard at the point where Miss Davis confers with her counsel."

This is the State's answer to Angela's demand for her legal right to a fair trial and an unprejudiced trial site. The fascists know that the Black community particularly is united in support of Sister Angela Davis, and that to allow even one Black on her jury would have threatened their plot against her. Therefore, Judge Arnason ordered Angela's trial to Santa Clara County, where only one percent of the population is Black (even though Angela's attorneys presented clear evidence that anti-Black and anti-Communist sentiment is just as bad there as in Marin County).

Judge Arnason claimed that the reason he changed the trial to Santa Clara County was because the courts there were not very busy. However, so many people have been jailed in Santa Clara County that recently some were transferred to jails in another county to prevent extreme overcrowding. This certainly does not show an inactive court.

As soon as Angela had been moved, the California State Supreme Court named the judge who would "preside" over Angela's case from now on, Judge Richard Arnason - the same one as before! The fascists are determined to prevent anything else from hindering their plans against Angela. (Sister Angela and Brother Ruchell Magee had succeeded in disqualifying every judge in Marin County and six other judges as well, before Arnason took over the case.)

The local fascists in Santa Clara County had been eagerly awaiting their turn in the conspiracy against Angela. A week before she was transferred, the County Board of Supervisors voted to spend over $200,000.00 for "security" for Angela's trial. Many people wondered how the County could justify spending this extravagant amount at a time when people in the county are suffering from Nixon's fascist economic reform policies -- even the official figures show a level of 6% unemployment in Santa Clara County. Top dog in the State, Ronald Reagan, rushed to the rescue of the local fascists in Marin and Santa Clara County, since people had been complaining about using county funds to finance the plot against Angela. Reagan pushed through an "open-ended trial expenses" bill in the State Legislature, specifically to cover the case of Angela. The predicted cost of the entire trial is over one million dollars. Of course, every one of the fascists neglected to mention that if Angela were released on bail none of these expenses would be necessary.

All such tactics by the State are clearly geared toward eliminating Angela's support. However, less than five hours after the pigs had sneaked Angela into Palo Alto, one hundred people had gathered in front of the County Courthouse, shouting "Free Angela! Free Ruchell! Free All Political Prisoners!"



CHAIRMAN BOBBY SEALE came to see about Angela.

And, six days later, on December 8th, hundreds of people came out for her first court appearance since being transferred. "Spectators", the people, were not allowed to attend the court hearing. Therefore, afterwards, her attorneys had to announce that Arnason had set the trial date for January 31st in San Jose. Among those who came to see about Angela were Bobby Seale, Chairman of the Black Panther Party, and Comrade Ericka Huggins (who had, of course, both experienced directly the horror of the maximum security camps).

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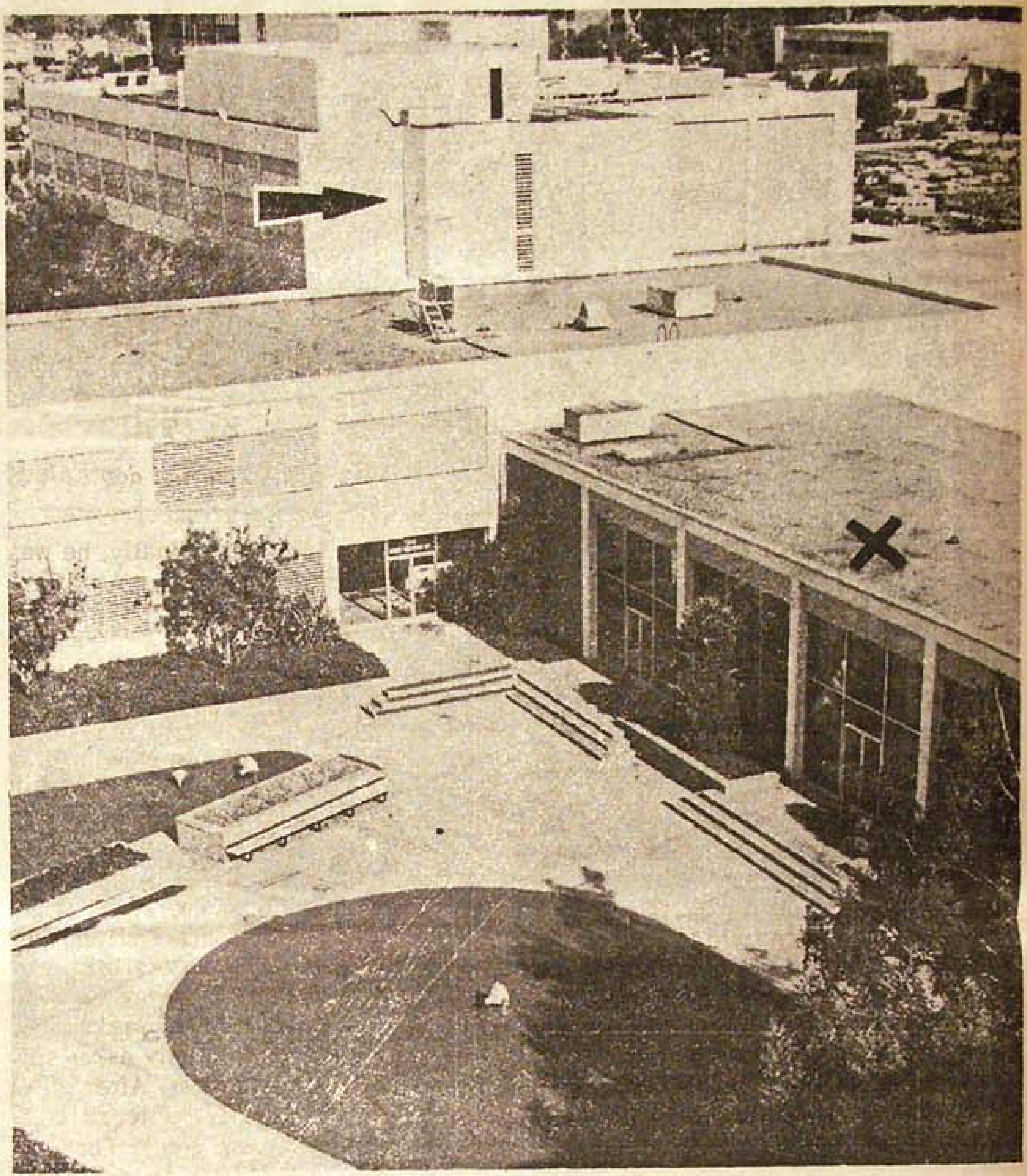
There, outside the courtroom, having been kept outside by fascists, Chairman Bobby delivered the following message: "Everybody knows that Sister Angela is in a situation where the fascists are in a process of trying to railroad the sister to the gas-chamber... And, of course, we, as people and human beings in the communities in this area, in the country, in the world, are not going to stand for it.

"We are exemplifying our spirit here. But, I think, farther in the future, we must exemplify our spirit in a lot of work in the communities, especially the Black communities and all the poor oppressed communities.

"It has been stated that people will not be let into the courtroom, which is, automatically, a direct violation of a constitutional right, the right to a fair and public trial. We are people and the public. Right?

"So, when we start talking about all power to the people, it becomes necessary for us to mobilize people in the communities, the Black communities, the Chicano communities, and all the poor, oppressed communities; mobilize the people to these courtrooms, let the judges know, and let others know that we - Ericka Huggins, who has been set free, Bobby Seale, who has been set free - we demand, with the people, that Angela Davis be set free...We want a change of venue back to San Francisco; but, in fact, our main demand is that we want Sister Angela Davis set free. All Power to the People. Thank you brothers and sisters."

After the court procedures, Margaret Burnham, one of Angela's attorneys, described the conditions where Angela is being held: "Angela is presently being held in a cold jail cell down in the basement of this building. She doesn't have access to either her typewriter or her radio - although the sheriff indicated in his last press conference that she did. She hasn't been out to exercise for a whole week now, and they don't plan to make any modifications in this facility...Until she is transferred to a new facility, she won't be able to have any exercise privileges at all. The place where she is being held now has an intercom and the acoustics there are terrible. She can hear people in the cell next to her and they can hear her. We haven't been able to have any confidential conferences with her. There's a guard who stands outside of her door 24 hours a day, and he can also hear everything that goes on in her cell. The defense has virtually been brought to a standstill as a result of her transfer here to Palo Alto."



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With all that it has tried to do, the State of California has only drawn people together in the common interest of freeing Angela. On December 18th, another demonstration was conducted by the People, to show support for the cause of freeing Angela and all political prisoners. Several hundred people demonstrated outside the Palo Alto jail, where Angela is incarcerated, demanding that Angela be given bail now and that the trial be moved to San Francisco.

There, for the first time, the People received a direct message from Angela herself:

"Sisters and Brothers, for the first time in many seasons I can actually hear you. Each time you reach this side of the building, your voices ring out loud and clear. I can feel your strength and love and your determination to set me free.

"It is just a matter of time. Soon you'll be joined by scores of thousands, demanding and securing the freedom of all our sisters and brothers in chains. Now especially Fleeta and John. We have a responsibility to them, and to George, who gave his life to prevent twelve white people from sending our Brothers to their deaths (and thus from affirming, the machinery of repression which we all suffer under in varying degrees).

"Now, too, it is time to see to it that the movement around Ruchell and

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THE LONG FAMILY TRAIN OF ABUSES





MRS. LONG: "These incidents happen every day. You just don't always hear about them."

Sunday night, December 5th, the Winston-Salem Police Force turned out in force to invade the Happy Hill Garden Community. The victims of this racist invasion were members of the Long Family (of 802 Willow Street). Around 8:00 p.m. on Sunday, the police came to the Long's residence saying they wanted to search the home for a Terry Lee Smith. Since they had no search warrant, Mrs. Selma Long informed them that they could not enter her home without one. The police left, only to return in 15 minutes with a search warrant.

At that time, Mrs. Long gave the permission to search the house. The police entered, searched and not finding Terry Smith, started to leave. As they were leaving, police claim Mrs. Long and her son, 18-year old Benny Ray, stood at the front door "cursing" them and verbally abusing them. Another Black man from the community, having observed the rude and disorderly way in which the so-called police officers conducted themselves, did tell these invaders what he thought of them. The police used this as their excuse to force re-entry into the Long's home, and do what they had intended to do in the beginning, attack and brutalize another Black family. Officer R.A. Spillman led around seven other pigs back into the house, shouting the order, "Let's get them".

The police showed why they are called pigs. They knocked Ernest Smith, a neighbor visiting the family, to the floor, beating him with their nightsticks. They also knocked Benny Long to the floor. Fifteen-year old Marvin Wilson, another family friend, had been in the kitchen with Mrs. Long. When he came into the living room to see what was going on, naturally, he too was thrown onto the floor. When he asked what he had done, while trying to free himself, he was kicked several times. Finally, he was picked up from the floor and arrested.

Mrs. Long had been in the kitchen, desperately trying to get her 4-year old daughter, Sharnera, out of the way of the policemen's clubs by sending her out the back door to a neighbor's home; and there were her other daughters to protect, Carol, 14 years old; Elizabeth, 16 years old; and Diane, 15 years old. All Mrs. Long could do, at the sight of her home being wrecked and her son and friends being brutalized, was plead, "Stop tearing up my house". Finally, Mrs. Long herself was knocked into a chair, having simply asked why they were taking Marvin. After all of this, these "peace" officers said, "Bitch, you're going too." Three of these "protectors of the peace" grabbed her and literally dragged her outside of her home to the squad car. Benny (who had by then gone outside) was watching this, when pig Spillman turned on him. He kicked Benny in the back, and then arrested him too. Benny, his mother (Mrs. Long) and Marvin Wilson were taken to jail and charged with disorderly conduct, cursing and abusing police officers, and assault upon police officers.

Mrs. Long and Benny were released on $100.00 bond each; and Marvin was released on $400.00 bond (even though he is a juvenile). It should have only been necessary for Marvin to be released to his parents' custody. After suffering these brutal acts of fascism, Benny and Marvin both had to be treated at the hospital (Benny's back was badly injured). Also, Mrs. Long was still suffering aches and pains a week after the attack.

Within a week, Winston-Salem fascists had whipped together their judicial machinery for trial of Mrs. Long and Benny. On Monday, December 13th, Judge Buford T. Henderson found them guilty of the charges, and sentenced them to 30 days or $90.00, plus court costs. Henderson, during the trial, got in his own little racist remarks. Scolding them, as though he were their father (great white father), he told Mrs. Long and Benny and their witnesses that they were acting like they were prosecuting the police instead of trying to help the "defendants", for they were really respectable, intelligent men. He even insinuated that if the witnesses had not told of th policemen's acts of brutality against the people (or the truth), then he might have found Mrs. Long and Benny not guilty. In fact, even their Lawyer, R. Lewis Ray, was almost found in "contempt of court", because he pointed out how in practically all cases of police brutality the victims are usually tried and found guilty, while the policemen are not even charged.

On the Tuesday following the incident, Terry Lee Smith (in whose name the pigs had assaulted the Long family) was, in fact, arrested for assault, being relased on bond that day. Later on that evening, he and other concerned people of the community went to a meeting of the Winston-Salem Board of Aldermen (the leading body of the city government). They all protested the acts of police brutality that had taken place, not only against the Long family on the previous Sunday night, but also against another Brother, on the same street, on the Saturday night before.

Officer R.A. Spillman, the same pig that had led the attack against the Long family, had, on the night before, attacked Brother Howard L. Mason at 714 Willow Street, the residence of Jacqueline Jones. Earlier that Saturday

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FREE HUEY!

On December 15th, the State of California hierarchy finally sent down the order to the Alameda County District Attorney's office and the Superior Courts to halt this phase of their four-year attempt to silence Huey P. Newton. Having failed to murder him on the street, in October of 1967; having failed to even use their own, State-controlled machinery to conjure up the right jury in several attempts to send him to prison for life; having spent millions of the People's tax dollars in their effort, the State decided it wasn't worth any further alienation of the People to get Huey this way at this time.

Of course, Lowell Jensen, Alameda County's star prosecutor, and one of his assistants, Donald Whyte, were not pleased with the order. They wanted to try Huey one more time. Where getting Huey P. Newton was involved, Jensen and Whyte were willing to try again and again, at any cost to the tax payers, the People.

In light of the expensive up-coming California trials of Angela Davis, Ruchell Magee, the Soledad Brothers, the Adjustment Center Six and too many others, the State really couldn't afford to try the leader of the Black Panther Party again. It boiled down to a simple mathematical formula. All of this was pawned off on the People, however, as a court decision in the interest of justice.

They say that Huey is free. They say this is a clear indication that justice does prevail in the U.S. They say that a man, Huey P. Newton, who was innocent of crime in the first place, did receive a fair trial under the law.

Huey P. Newton should have never gone to such a trial in the first place. He should have never suffered three years in a California penitentiary for the State's crime against him, against the People. The fact that the State was able to accomplish this once, that conditions allowed for this, indicates that Huey P. Newton was not free from the start. Therefore, he is not free now. There is Angela, Ruchell, John and Fleeta, the Adjustment Center Six. There are thousands imprisoned in this State, across this country, suffering unjustly in the maximum security prison-camps. There are millions of Black people, millions of poor people, who suffer daily the oppression and indignities of oppression under the control of the U.S. government. There are millions around the world suffering so. Their very lives are in jeopardy. How could Huey P. Newton be free under such atrocious conditions?

Did the State, the United States, believe that when we first said FREE HUEY that we were speaking of his release form their maximum security prison. Free Huey meant and means Free Angela, Free Ruchell, Free the Soledad Brothers, Romaine Fitzgerald, the Adjustment Center Six, all political prisoners, the oppressed Black communities, the oppressed communities of the world. Huey P. Newton is one of the leaders of that struggle for total freedom and liberation of all the people. We will continue to cry FREE HUEY!

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!

LONG BINH JAIL: "THE BLACK HOUSE"

The following letters were recently written by Brothers who have been incarcerated by the U.S. military in the Long Binh Jail, Vietnam. They were sent through the Baltimore, Maryland Branch of the Black Panther Party. Not only do these letters state the intolerable conditions under which Blacks are forced to live, but one letter requests the need for the people's attention to a specific incident which has come to be known, by the men involved, as the "Whiskey Mountain Fiasco":



"Our hope is that someone on the outside will hear our cry and demand that this dehumanization be stopped."

I am hereby attempting, to the best of my ability, to relate or give an idea of the racism, fascism, cruelty, humiliation and over-all brutality in this concentration camp. This camp is set up in Vietnam by the U.S. Government to hold so-called "criminal" military personnel, affiliated with that same organization. In the final analysis, it is a dungeon for Blacks and all others whose views are politically subversive to those of the army and/or Amerikan Establishment. I will deal with this later.

First, I think I should give some idea as to the outlook of this institution, or rather the setting: LBJ (Long Binh Jail) covers a few acres with fences and concertina wire, heavily guarded with gate guards and tower guards. The buildings, for the most part, are of grey brick stones. A few are unpainted lumber. There is a minimum security section which holds approximately 120 inmates. This section is new; the old one was condemned - unfit for human habitation. Even though health officials have condemned it, inmates are still occupying it.

The maximum security health conditions are poor, filthy, and stink of urine and feces. Even hot showers are a no-no. Food is served through a small cut below the door about 4 inches in length, and 5 inches in width.

Minimum security conditions are better, material - wise. Minimum security consists of a compound of three sections...detain, minimum, and medium. Detain is the compound for unsentenced prisoners, or rather, that is the established idea, but has many sentenced inmates to be found there. Minimum consists of the working masses who are allowed to work outside the gates...under guard, of course. Medium is established for hardened, orientated inmates who have been in and out of maximum security. These compounds - detain, medium, and minimum are permitted to play sports after working hours. Also, with the installation of the new Colonel (Gardner), came the installation of television. The food served in the small mess hall is garbage: And that's putting it lightly; i.e., garbage is an understatement for the messy food served. Health care is also below standard. If an inmate is sick, he may be ignored. The limited health care received is only pacification and not really treatment. The moral conditions here are humiliating; even as I write this, one of the guards came around and threatened me.

Since I have been incarcerated at LBJ, I have seen innumerable cases of brutal beatings. (LBJ's population consists of 90% Black, 5% other Amerikan minorities and 5% white.) Most of these cases of brutality have been limited to Blacks. The reason for this is the vulgar language and unprovoked violence of guards directed towards inmates and the unleashing radicalism of Blacks. A few of these cases I can readily call to mind. One case involved a Black inmate (Brother Ford). A guard refused to let him use the toilet, so Brother Ford harmlessly urinated out of the back vent of his cell, onto the ground. The guard called four pigs (known as the job squad). They forcefully pulled Brother Ford from his cell, threw him on the outside pavement, handcuffed him and beat him about the face. After such treatment inmates are not returned to the same cell. Brother Louis, a mild mannered brother, also suffered this type of gestapo treatment and an unlimited number of other Blacks also suffered this treatment, which still exists. This treatment has been promised to me and I am looking forward to it. There is a never-ending plot by guards and omnipotent officials to railroad inmates (who are strongly subversive to Amerikan policies, as fascist as Amerikan policies can be) ---deeper into bondage.

There are inmates here for such foolishness as drug addiction, possession of one cap of heroin, 15-day AWOL's, common fist fighting, and communication of threats of talking in a contemptuous manner. (Most of the above are usually punishable by forfeiture of pay.) Even these foolish trumped-up charges can get a person six to eighteen months of incarceration.

The myth, that the U.S. Army is an organization of well-cared-for people is far from the truth, in view of its concentration camps, and also its policy of "Vietnamization", for that matter.

But the inmates' continuous protest of inhumaneness and brutality at LBJ are often ignored or pacified with tokens of hair creams, combs, books, or the installation of radios. However, my comrades and I are strong. We have vowed, we will not be dehumanized or tolerate brutal attacks. We will resist by any means possible. Resistance can only mean more repression. We are aware of that. And, our present miseries are extremely hard to bear. Our hope is that some one on the outside will hear

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TOWARD PEACE ON EARTH









It is the season of "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men". Downtown stores all over the country are filled with merchandise to make the season joyous, plus tax. For most people, it will again be a burden to celebrate: For some it will mean almost a third of next year's paychecks to be spent to show good will toward family and friends; For others, it will be a tremendously depressing and frustrating period, in which the whole world is seemingly celebrating, while they are without not only the toys and pleasures for the children, but without food, clothing or a place to stay. It even seems difficult to think of celebrating.

This leads us to think about what the words "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men" mean. They express the basic desire of all human beings to live in a world free of stress. However, we know that not only is there little peace in the world, but we know that peace cannot be defined in terms of quiet. There is the oppressor's way of defining peace. There is the oppressed people's definition of peace.

When we think of peace do we think of some men throwing away food, while millions starve; of some people being imprisoned by others for unjust causes; of some people's closets overflowing with clothing, while others are naked and barefoot; of a few men determining how the land of others shall be used and exploited. Yet, these things, these conditions exist. There are thousands of examples of such sufferings and injustices under which so many of us live. If we want true peace, such conditions, we know, cannot prevail.

Here in the U.S., this season concretely exemplifies the inequality of men's lives, and demonstrates that peace certainly does not exist here: The very fact that during this holiday, many people cannot joyously celebrate, for they suffer with hunger, cold, poor housing conditions; their loved ones have been killed in Vietnam, and for reasons they do not even understand, fighting a people who are not their enemies; or, their brothers or sisters are unjustly locked away in the maximum security camps of the U.S.; or, they are sick and have no way of receiving care; or, they cannot even get a job, or they don't make enough money to get the things they need and want, or they've just lost their jobs. There are so many, here in the U.S., who are frustrated, hungry, tired. These are not peaceful conditions.

Then we are faced with the question of how to bring about the kind of peace about which we are speaking. In a few words, we often ask, can there be peace without freedom, freedom of all mankind. Really it isn't a difficult question. The solution, however, poses a serious problem.

It is in this light, then, that we want to bring out a few points. There are people around the world involved in our, mankind's common struggle for true peace. They have discovered and are implementing ways to achieve real peace. We, therefore, want to take this opportunity, during this particular occasion, to commemorate these efforts. As David Hilliard, Chief of Staff of the Black Panther Party, stated it (in a speech in November of 1969, for which he was viciously and unjustly kidnapped and falsely charged), "If we want Peace, we have to fight for it."

DECEMBER 10

On December 10, 1956, the Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPLA) was founded in Luanda, Angola. MPLA, headed by Dr. Agostinho Neto, is the organization now leading the struggle for the liberation of Angola.

One of the oldest movements in Africa, the Angolan people and the MPLA have now successfully liberated many zones inside Angola, where there are schools, hospitals and other programs in which the People are actively engaged, which serve their interests.

At one time, Angola was completely under the domination of Portugal (which invaded the continent of Africa as far back as the 1400's). Under the colonial oppression of the Portuguese government, the people of Angola have long suffered the barbarity of the Portuguese racists-colonialists. They were raped of their land. They were raped of their resources. They were raped of all semblance of humanity and human dignity.



"Our struggle is against exploitation and for the normal and healthy development of man, and of the Angolan nation." -Dr. Neto, MPLA

In this century, and just prior to the formation of the MPLA, there was an organized move to deliver the Angolan People into a state under the rightful control of the people themselves. Dr. Neto, President of MPLA, described this: "The generation preceding ours began an enterprise of great political importance, especially in the towns, where the intellectuals led the action. They proposed to find a pacifist solution to the problems arising from the presence of the colonialists in order to terminate the shameless exploitation of our natural resources and the violent oppression of our Angolan people."

When the people's human cries for the liberation of Angola were viciously repressed; when the people's leaders were imprisoned, such as Dr. Neto himself on June 8th, 1960, and Reverend Pinto de Andrade on June 25th of that year; when many in the vanguard of their just struggle were unjustly murdered, such as on the 29th of December, 1960, when 20 patriots were shot in the courtyard of a prison in Luanda; when the Portuguese government responded to the natural uprisings of the people with massive, criminal, military attacks; when the people themselves realized that the Portuguese had to be forcibly removed from Angola, if they were to realize their humanity, armed struggle broke out on February 4, 1961, under the guidance of MPLA. On the 4th, 5th and 6th of February, three thousand Angolan people were massacred in Luanda; later, five thousand were slaughtered in Lower Kassange. However, the struggle for liberation and peace had begun. The people had begun to fight for it.

President Neto summed up the aims and desires of the People, demonstration how the Angolan people understand that their desire and our desire for peace, for freedom is common, and how they are beginning to secure another territory in the world for that purpose: "Our war is necessarily long. In order to achieve the fundamental objectives, of the revolutionary struggle for National Independence, as carried out by the MPLA, it is necessary to work hard, not only to find methods of organizing, but also in political and ideological work, which *transforms the social behavior of man* anxious to see the end of exploitation of man by man. Our organization takes care also to preserve our freedom from any foreign domination, whatever it might be. But it does not mean to say that we are against whoever fights on our side against im-

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perialism, and against colonialism, or against racist regimes dominating one part of our continent.

"The multiple facets of our revolution go even to the point of fighting against a concept often defended in a simple manner - that the fight is against the white, because the colonialists are white. The MPLA refused to adopt this formula because there-in lies the essence of counter-revolution. From the fight against whites, instead of the struggle against an unjust colonial system, we can easily pass to tribalism with its consequences of division. From such a concept of the struggle, we would easily go to chauvinism and then towards establishing undesireable relations with other peoples and races.

"We have made it clear that the hard work done by MPLA during the struggle for national liberation, many-sided work by its own nature, is destined to change radically the relationship between the Portuguese people. It must bring about the unification of all forces inside and outside our country, to fight against the colonial system. It must bring about a change of consciousness in man, by political clarity, by a change in the conditions of living, and in the concept of the manner of existence. Our struggle is against exploitation and for the normal and healthy development of man, and of the Angolan nation on the road to progress."

DECEMBER 17

On December 17th, 1961, the Zimbabwe African People's Union (ZAPU) was founded. ZAPU leads the military and political struggle in Zimbabwe for the institution of a government of the people, serving the people's interests. Their primary task is to rid Zimbabwe of the control by so-called Rhodesian, or, in fact, the racist, British-controlled fascist regime of Ian Smith.

One of the ironies of the situation in Zimbabwe is the lie on the part of the United Kingdom, really Britain, that it does not support or recognize the Ian Smith regime. It was under the British-imposed "Rhodesian" law from which Ian Smith took power. As late as 1968, the British were openly "negotiating" with Smith as to how they could together control Zimbabwe. At that time, the British Prime Minister and Smith met aboard a British ship,



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the "Fearless", to discuss Smith's apartheid government. Smith proposed complete separation of Africans and white invaders, while the British proposed letting the Blacks think they would have some say-so in their government. (Of the four and one-half million people living in Zimbabwe, over four and one-quarter million are African people; less than one quarter million are whites; and the remainder are Asians and others.)

The very name "Rhodesia" (as used in U.S. and other imperialist maps and references) is taken from a British investor (capitalist), Cecil John Rhodes. Rhodes owned the British South Africa Company, which came to control (through cheating of tribal chiefs and outright brute force) the natural resources of Zimbabwe. Rhodes died in 1902. By 1923, the British felt safe enough to allow their settlers to establish a limited government. This simply meant that the British invaders would be allowed to partially determine their British destinies on the soil of Zimbabwe. The settlers began just simply dividing up the Zimbabwean people's land, among themselves, under a so-called "Land Apportionment Act".

The Zimbabwean people suffered, naturally, all along: no right to work their land as they saw fit; no participation in the government; working to develop industry, at slave labor wages, for the British "settlers"; etc. By 1961, Britain's so-called settlers concocted a constitution, which generously allowed for a few Africans to participate in African affairs. This constitution was then to be used by the British as a basis for "SETTLER Independence".

Starvation, inadequate living conditions, slave labor were all to be foisted upon the people, now, by law. Led by Joshua Nkomo, ZAPU was formed, on December 17, 1961, to lead the struggle to gain complete freedom for the Zimbabwean People. In the meantime, a "settler" government was established, as the Rhodesian Front. After Ian Smith took over presidency of the Rhodesian Front (in April, 1964),

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By 1961, a British constitution allowed for some native "Rhodesians" to sit in the Rhodesian Parliament.

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he refused to acknowledge the token 1961 Constitution, and instituted open apartheid and fascism. Supposedly, the British are opposed to this, on the basis of being "concerned" with "safeguarding" African rights. Of course, if there were any real difference between the Smith regime and the British government, and the interests of Africans were involved, the British could very well remove Smith and leave Zimbabwe.

Presently Joshua Nkomo is imprisoned by British settlers (invaders) in a concentration camp, in Gonakudzingwa, along with other ZAPU leaders and fighters. There is no peace in Zimbabwe. There is no freedom for the People of Zimbabwe. As ZAPU's Vice-President, James Chikerema, has said, "ZAPU, through its people's liberation army, will fight ferociously and fearlessly in every part of Zimbabwe, in every town and wherever the white settler enemies can be found in Zimbabwe. There will be rivers of tears and blood, estates of graves for the enemy..." Because the Zimbabwean people, though they have suffered so at the hands of the racist British invaders, are human beings, merely desirous of living a free and just existence, their struggle is waged in the interest of all mankind, as well as their own independence:

To quote the "Zimbabwean Review", ZAPU's official news organ: "Mr. Nkomo will continue to lead the African people of Zimbabwe to freedom, freedom that will even free the British settlers from the corruption of fascist thinking."

DECEMBER 20

In 1960, on this date, the National Liberation Front (NLF) of South Vietnam was officially formed. Vietnam is one country, unnaturally divided (at the 17th parallel) by wars of aggression against the people by outside agents, primarily the U.S. and France. In no words better than Vietnam's first beloved President, Ho Chi Minh, could the struggle for independence and peace waged by the South Vietnamese People be described (in several statements in 1963 and 1964): "The people have been forced to take up armed resistance. Representatives from all sections of the population have rallied in a National Front for Liberation which now coordinates and directs the resistance activities... Under the 1954 Geneva Agreements, democratic rights were guaranteed to the people of South Vietnam, there were to be no reprisals against patriots who had fought to liberate the country from French colonialism; there were to be general, democratic elections within two years to bring about the peaceful reunification of the country. These provisions of the Geneva Agreements, and many more, have been crudely trampled on by the Diem (Ed. Note: Ngo Dinh Diem, killed in 1963, eventually replaced by Nguyen Cao Ky) regime at the direct instigation and with the financial, political and military-support of the U.S. Government...Our compatriots at first tried to defend themselves peacefully by demanding their legal rights as guaranteed by the Geneva Agreements...The Dienbienphu victory led to the success of the 1954 Geneva Agreements, solemnly recognizing the independence, unity and territorial integrity of the Vietnamese people as well as of the fraternal Lao and Cambodian peoples. The Western countries participating in the Conference - the United States, the United Kingdom and France - pledged themselves to respect these inviolable national rights...After the Geneva Conference, our whole people ought to have been in a position to live in peace and tranquility and concentrate their efforts on national construction. But the U.S. imperialists and their lackeys have sabotaged the Agreements, prolonged the partition of our country, and started a ruthless war in South Vietnam. They have burnt down or destroyed villages, massacred the population, made arrests, committed rapes, disembowelled and beheaded many people without even sparing children and the old agers...The entire civilized mankind is seething with indignation at their monstrous crimes. That is the reason why our fourteen million compatriots in the South have resolutely risen up to resist to end."



"After the Geneva Conference, our whole people ought to have been in a position to live in peace and tranquility..."

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Mao Tse-tung, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Chinese Communist Party, and beloved leader of 800 million Chinese People, was born on this date in 1893. For more than a half century, Chairman Mao worked to organize the struggle of the Chinese People for independence from the eight different invaders into China, and to establish freedom and peace in China. The thought of Chairman Mao Tse-tung successfully guided the Chinese People to liberation of China in 1949. One statement of Chairman Mao, which was a guiding principle for struggle (and which became the motto of the Black Panther Party), expresses the overall aim of the Chinese people which was and is to institute peace throughout the world: "We are advocates of the abolition of war, we do not want war; bur war can only be abolished through war, and in order to get rid of the gun, it is necessary to take up the gun."

Here we print, in this interest, one of Chairman Mao's many poems, expressing his love for all mankind as his hard work in leadership expressed in action:

POEM BY CHAIRMAN MAO

On this tiny globe
A few flies dash themselves against the wall,
Humming without cease,
Sometimes shrilling,
Sometimes moaning.
Ants on the locust tree assume a great nation swagger
And mayflies lightly plot to topple the giant tree.
The west wind scatters leaves over Changan,
And the arrows are flying, twanging.

So many deeds cry out to be done,
And always urgently;
The world rolls on,
Time presses.
Ten thousand years are too long,
Seize the day, seize the hour!
The Four Seas are rising, clouds and waters raging,
The five Continents are rocking, wind and thunder roaring.
Away with all pests!
Our force is irresistible.



"The world is progressing, the future is bright and no one can change this general trend of history." Chairman Mao Tse-tung

In Angola, the Portuguese are aided financially and militarily by the U.S. and Britain; in South Vietnam, the U.S. employs its puppet troops from South Korea, Thailand, etc.; in Zimbabwe, the British are allied with the U.S. and others; the Chinese People have suffered attack from eight different imperialists. The forces opposed to the type of peace about which we are speaking, peace with freedom, are united. They are united to maintain their unjust power over others. If we understand that it is the same struggle, that it requires struggle to gain real peace and freedom, then we too will unite, all together, with all those around the world struggling in this common interest. - In this spirit, then, let us say, "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men".

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"TO TAKE ARMS AGAINST A SEA OF TROUBLES"

AN ACCURATE REVIEW OF THE COURAGEOUS DEFENSE BY THE BLACK COMMUNITY OF WILMINGTON, N.C., AGAINST WHITE RACIST-POLICE VIOLENCE.

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Congregation of the Black Messiah Church, was harassed and arrested. Eleven carloads of police (in a planned raid) stopped and searched his car, allegedly looking for guns. When they found none, they arrested him for not having the automobile registration for his own car. He was released on bond the next day.

Later during the week, a Black man shot a white vigilante who was on his front porch. He surrendered to police later. The newspapers carried the story: The press, in collaboration with the local power structure ran sensationalist front page stories in an attempt to further stir up racial tension in Wilmington. Banner headlines proclaimed the brother's defense of his life as cold-blooded "murder". They failed to mention that the white man was on the porch and had a rifle and had shot at the Brother.

On October 14th, three whites were arrested and a small arsenal of weapons was seized. Two other vigilantes were also arrested in a similar raid in nearby Rocky Mount. The seized weapons, which included home-made "pipe guns", were designed for mass death and destruction of Black people. FBI pig Glenn Fleming, who made the arrests, stated that "these weapons are designed for one purpose...and that's to kill". We know that these fascists are not concerned with the survival of the Wilmington Black Community. In fact, the genocide of Black People by these unpaid vigilantes saves the U.S. government the trouble of doing the job itself. These arrests were made to dupe the People into believing that the U.S. Government will protect them from these home-grown racists.

The city of Wilmington is still very tense. The white racists are still meeting and they continue to ride throughout the Black community. The situation could flare up at any moment, and erupt into a fullscale race war.

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North Carolina State Chapter
Black Panther Party

LONG BINH JAIL: "THE BLACK HOUSE"

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our cry and demand that this dehumanization be stopped. Even as I write these words, I cannot be sure if they will ever reach the outside world. Censorship is one of the most effective methods of controlling and restraining prisoners here at LBJ.
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We, the Blacks in this case, are sending you this because we know that you will send or get it to the necessary person or persons.

We are presently in the Long Binh Jail, in Long Binh Vietnam, and we do not even have a lawyer. There are countless of Blacks in this jail on trumped-up charges; so many that it is more than often referred to as the "Black House".

One of the most racist actions of an officer in the United States Army was made at Whiskey Mountain in Vietnam, September 25, 1971. This inefficient and inexperienced officer on the date prescribed is felt to have failed to exercise the "correct" powers in an incident that occurred the 25th, by the men of the 299th Engineer Company, 73rd Engineer, and of the 513 Engineer Dump Truck Company.

The Black soldiers asked to attend a memorial service for a two-year old Black girl who was killed by a white racist two years ago, in Los Angeles. We were told to have the service in our living quarters, because heavy rains had washed out all the bridges. At the time, there were four or five white soldiers in the bunker, who quickly left, after the sergeant talked to them. One Brother smelled smoke, an explosion went off, rendering two of the thirteen Brothers unconscious for about half an hour. Immediately after the explosion, the Blacks proceeded out of the bunker, a medic was on the scene and the two unconscious men were put on a 2 1/2 ton truck and carried to the medical dispensary. After those two, plus two others were treated, we then began an attempt to leave and were told that if we did not return to the dispensary, we would be charged with mutiny. As the Blacks started to return to the dispensary, a 2 1/2 ton truck came up the hill with about one dozen military police on it. First searched and held for over an hour while our pictures were taken, we were then put on the trucks, handcuffed, and flown to Long Binh Jail...To keep us from trying to do anything about it, they transferred us all to other parts of Vietnam. We were not even given the time to get any of our necessary articles; so I'm here at a new Company along with others, with no clothes to change into.

...We don't want these people to just get away with what happened. We spent time in maximum security cells, were fed like dogs, and harassed by the guards trying to make us do something wrong so they could put us away for good. They even kept some of the Brothers'cell doors open so that they would try to get away.

...There isn't much we can do under these circumstances; there isn't much we can do as far as getting in touch with someone who can help us. That's why we are asking you to help us.

These men of the afore-mentioned Companies ask the People of the United States to investigate this "Whiskey Mountain Fiasco" and take the necessary steps to correct a military system that punishes and jails the young manhood of a People.
Brother Larry Barnes

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ANGELA TRANSFERRED FOR TRIAL



"It's just a matter of time. Soon you'll be joined by scores of thousands, demanding the freedom of all our brothers and sisters in chains... We have a responsibility to them..."

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around the San Quentin Six gathers impetus.

"And there are all the innocents. For the first time since New York, I've seen and talked with large numbers of my sisters. Yesterday I was at the jail in Milpitas. (Angela was taken there to exercise, since the Palo Alto jail has no exercise facilities.) There are strong and beautiful sisters in that jail, many of whom want to use their time in captivity to learn more about the reasons we are all oppressed. They want to study and are tired of the mysteries, romance stories and bad novels they're given to read.

"I told them yesterday that I'd deliver a message to the people. I promised I'd ask you, Sisters and Brothers, to do what you can to gather up some books which can be donated to the women's library in Milpitas.

"Long live the message and mission of George and Jonathan Jackson. Free all Political Prisoners."

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE
Intercommunal Survival Committee
Palo Alto, California

HER LIVING WAS NOT IN VAIN

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throughout New York and Amerikkka - and this time it was our beloved Moms, Mrs. Irene Johnson.....

We will not weep for Moms. We will implement a Free Ambulance Sercie in Moms spirit....Though our loss is painful and deep, we will forge on, to develop Free Health Facilities that will help our poor and oppressed people survive......Moms loved the Programs because she understood; on a practical level, why the Programs were necessary and worked with us to keep the Programs going...

Moms was one of our reasons for struggling on, because she was oppressed all her days. Her very oppression, which she struggled against, one, with and for the People, was symbolic of her very spirit. We will miss her laughter. We will miss her revolutionary spirit, manifested in her kisses; her revolutionary spirit, her mind and soul, manifested in her hugs. We will miss everything about Moms. We will not miss the implementation of her spirit, where it's manifested in the People's Free Ambulance Service.. Let her and her spirit fill the community with Survival Programs, revolutionary Survival Programs, a Free Ambulance Service, and Medical Care and facilities, after Moms.



"There is no difference in the murder of Moms (Irene Johnson) and the murder of George Jackson."

Moms has found the only freedom this world can offer her. So we, who live, and struggle on, must swallow this bitter pill and struggle, with her spirit; and struggle, and struggle, and struggle for the new day, for the total liberation of all oppressed people of the world, for total liberation of our Black community....

All Power to the People, for in the final analysis victory will be manifested in all the Supreme Servants of the People, Sister Moms, Sister Irene Johnson, of the Black Panther Party. All Power to the People..."

Comrade Charles Bronson of the Black Panther Party, in eulogizing Moms at the memorial service, summed up her beauty, and what her death meant in these words: "There is no difference in the murder of Moms and the murder of George Jackson. The conditions, the oppression are one and the same. There is no difference in the murder of Moms and the vicious murder of the Brothers at Attica. The conditions are one and the same; and the struggle is one; and, in fact, her determination, her cry is the same as heard all over the world, whether in Vietnam, Korea, Africa, Georgia or New York City. The cry is one and the same: We want to be free! And in order for the people to be free, we must survive as a people. Moms made a commitment to help us survive. Her life, then, could be summed up in the words of this song: 'If I can help somebody/ As I pass this way/ Then my living shall not be in vain.' "

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THE LONG FAMILY TRAIN OF ABUSES

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evening, Sister Jacqueline had called the so-called police to do their lawful duty. She had called to get Howard speedy transportation to a hospital for a cut on his arm. Instead of helping, the pigs arrived at the residence and began harassing Jacqueline and Howard. Spillman came in and told Howard, "Sit down, boy". He then struck Howard above his right eye, cutting it and knocking him into a chair. Howard was then taken outside to a waiting squad car. When Jacqueline Jones asked whether or not Howard was under arrest, the pigs said that they were taking him to the hospital.

They did take him to a hospital, where he received limited medical treatment. Afterward, however, these fascists took him to jail and charged him with assault on an officer. He was released on $200.00 bond. While at the station he attempted to file charges against Officer Spillman, for the maltreatment he had endured. Naturally, he was ignored.

In spite of this series of brutal attacks upon members of the same community, these same pigs, R.A. Spillman, in particular, are still loose on the streets, allegedly still "protecting" us. The other officers that brutalized the Longs were Sergeant G.G. Cornatzer, S.H. Aldridge, C.L. Reece and W.D. Knight.

At the Board of Aldermen's meeting these incidents were protested by many persons, including Terry Lee Smith, Howard Mason and other brothers, who had witnessed both incidents. As a result, a committee was formed and is supposedly investigating the officers' actions. There was one alderman, Carl Russell, who did strongly support the people's protest. Like Mrs. Long and her son Benny, Brother Howard Mason was also convicted on Monday, December 13th, of assault upon Spillman.

Since the incident, many misleading articles have been written in the local press, all implying that the officers were cursed by Mrs. Long and that this was justification for the attack.

Mrs. Long and Howard Mason commented on the incidents after their trials, both agreeing, after suffering such brutal attacks, that they understand why policemen are called pigs. Mrs. Long said, "They completely wrecked my living room, broke two lamps, two chairs and my couch." Her understanding was reinforced, she said, after witnessing an incident while they were at the police station, "whereby a policeman struck an older man, who had just been arrested, in the face". Mrs. Long said, "These incidents happen everyday. You just don't always hear about them."

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Winston-Salem Branch
Black Panther Party

STATE OF REPRESSION

In spite of the many efforts and the millions of dollars spent to destroy the Black Panther Party, the U.S. Government and its agents have failed. All over the country, more people are supporting and participating in Black Panther Party sponsored People's Community Survival Programs. In every Branch and Chapter of the Black Panther Party more People's Free Health Clinics, People's Free Clothing Programs, Free Breakfast for School Children Programs, People's Free Food Programs and People's Free Shoe Programs are being established. However, the U.S. government does proceed vigorously to destroy the Party, in their on-going, unfounded thinking that to destroy the Party means to destroy the People's desire for freedom. One of the latest methods is to quietly nibble away at the foundation of the Party. That is, at one time, the government operated along the line that to cut off the head, or the leadership, the well-known Party members, would cut off the body. Since that concept proved in practice to be false, they now seek to remove from participation in the Party the dedicated backbone of the structure, the comrades who carry out the day-to-day work, who daily implement the survival programs. This they feel can go unnoticed, and eventually topple the whole structure. Below are four such cases:

CONNECTICUT STATE CHAPTER

Comrade Charles Scott (known in the community as Chuck) was instrumental in the institution of our community programs for the youth. He helped to organize and set up the Free Breakfast for School Children Program and the Liberation School in New Haven, Connecticut.

In July of 1970, he was falsely arrested. For some time, New Haven pigs had been actually trying to stop our youth from using the public sidewalks as a play area. There were no public parks near any areas where Black people lived. Comrade Charles merely advised some of the people, in one neighborhood, of their right to remain outside when local fascists rode through the community, threatening and intimidating the people to go back inside their homes and not use the sidewalks for what they wanted. For this he was arrested, charged with assault



In the East,
COMRADE CHARLES SCOTT



In the West,
COMRADE ELMER DIXON



In the South.
COMRADE VINCENT ROBINSON

upon a police officer, and other connected charges.

Later that year, while out of jail on bond, Comrade Charles visited the New Orleans, Louisiana Branch of the Black Panther Party. He was arrested there in the aftermath of a vicious police assault on the Chapter headquarters in New Orleans' Desire Projects. He sat in jail for eleven months, charged with a variety of trumped-up "illegal" acts, before he was found not guilty (along with 12 other Party members) of any such acts. After the jury of 10 Blacks and 2 whites acquitted him, Charles returned to New Haven. This, however, was not of his own doing. New Haven police extradited him back there to stand trial on the old charge.

WASHINGTON STATE CHAPTER

Comrade Elmer Dixon of the Washington State Chapter of the Black Panther Party was recently railroaded to the Oregon State Prison on a three-year old harassment charge. Elmer was one of the organizers of the Washington State Chapter, working primarily in Seattle. As part of his community work, he often traveled throughout the states of Washington and Oregon, informing people about the Survival Programs. After one such occasion, in Eugene (Oregon), in 1968, he returned to Seattle by bus. When he arrived back in Seattle (where the Chapter headquarters is located), he was met by surprise at the bus station by local police. There he was arrested and falsely charged with armed robbery.

With this arrest, the pigs joyously began a sensational propaganda campaign to "expose" Comrade Elmer Dixon. They pointed out how Comrade Elmer had stolen a leather coat, while away in Eugene, and that the coat contained the victim's money, $2.89. They said that when they arrested him on a "tip", the Comrade was armed. With this flimsy information, they put together the shaky story of armed robbery of a leather jacket by Elmer Dixon.

Although it was brought out in the subsequent trial that the jacket had been a gift to Elmer by a Brother, Oliver Patterson, a student at the University in Eugene where Elmer had spoken; although the pigs' so-called victim of the robbery, a white student at the school, testified that Elmer did not ever rob him, Elmer was falsely convicted, as falsely charged, of armed robbery. He was sentenced to six years in the Oregon State Penitentiary.

Elmer has already gone before the racist Oregon State Parole Board. When he went before the Board, he told them he had had one year of pre-med. school; and, that if he were to get out, he might go back to medical school. They immediately pulled out some of the speeches he had made, and read parts of them to him. They asked him if he felt the same. When Comrade Elmer replied that he did, the dia-

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bolical racists then told him that the next time he would come up before that Board, to even discuss parole, would be in June, of 1973.

LOUISIANA STATE CHAPTER

Comrades Vincent Robinson and Clarence Jones of the Louisiana State Chapter of the Black Panther Party are well known in the community, as they regularly deliver the Black Panther Intercommunal News Service to many people's doors.

In October of this year, while Comrades Vincent and Clarence were delivering the paper to people in Covington, Louisiana (a small, rural area outside of New Orleans), they were arrested by local fascists there. They were thrown into the St. Tamany Parish jail and held on high bails. They were charged with attempted robbery (Since they were distributing papers, the pigs used this to say they looked like they were walking around intending to commit robbery.). Both were released on bond, and therefore continued to implement the People's Survival Programs.

Later that same week, Comrade Vincent was out collecting donations for the Canned Goods for Survival Rally (which was held on November 4th of this year). On November 3rd, one day before the rally, he was again picked up by the U.S. government's local agents, officers of the New Orleans Police Department. This time he was arrested on a warrant stemming from an old, phony armed robbery case. The charge on the warrant, armed robbery, had been so shaky before (more than a year ago) that New Orleans Judge Alcock had originally himself dismissed the robbery charge (in favor of forcing Vincent to serve six months for carrying a weapon). This was part of a larger plan that was eventually executed. That part was carried out in November, in the form of the warrant for armed robbery. The warrant had always been available to the pigs whenever they wanted to slow down or stop Vincent's work in the People's Survival Programs, for the Black Panther Party.



COMRADE CLARENCE JONES

All of these cases represent a small portion of the typical, daily harassment members of the Black Panther Party endure in an effort to implement the People's Survival Programs. However, this harassment represents anotner pitiful attempt on the part of the fascists to destroy the Black Panther Party. No matter how many individual Party members they arrest, they will not have arrested the people's struggle for liberation.

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PEOPLE'S PETITION

FOR IMMEDIATE PAROLE OF BROTHER DAVID HILLIARD FROM THE CALIFORNIA PRISON SYSTEM OR AN APPEAL BAIL BOND WITH A RETRIAL JURY OF HIS PEER-GROUP.

WE THE PEOPLE, RESIDENTS OF THE WORLD COMMUNITY, IN THE SPIRIT OF REVOLUTIONARY INTERCOMMUNALISM, DO HEREBY REDRESS OUR GRIEVANCE AND PETITION THE COURTS OF AMERICA AND THE CALIFORNIA STATE GOVERNMENT AND PAROLE BOARD: THAT DAVID HILLIARD BE RELEASED FROM HIS PRISON INCARCERATION IN THE CALIFORNIA PENAL SYSTEM TO THE PEOPLE OF OUR COMMUNITIES ON PAROLE OR AN APPEAL BAIL BOND.

BROTHER DAVID HILLIARD, POLITICAL PRISONER AND CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY, WAS IN FACT WRONGFULLY CONVICTED ON FALSE CHARGES BY A PREDOMINATELY WHITE RACIST JURY, AS ALL MEMBERS OF THE OAKLAND BLACK COMMUNITY WERE SYSTEMATICALLY ELIMINATED FROM THE JURY SELECTION PROCESS IN HIS TRIAL.

IN LIGHT OF THESE FACTS, WE THE UNDERSIGNED, THEREFORE PETITION THAT DAVID HILLIARD BE GRANTED HIS HUMAN AND CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS, THAT IS, PAROLE FROM PRISON OR AN APPEAL BAIL BOND BY THE AMERICAN COURTS PENDING APPEAL OF HIS CASE BEFORE HIGHER COURTS, AND THAT HIS RETRIAL JURY BE OF HIS PEERS, A TRUE REPRESENTATION OF A CROSS SECTION OF THE COMMUNITY.

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